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Event: The 26th Annual Illinois Wesleyan University Jazz Festival

Date: Jan. 20 (Saturday)

Time: 8 a.m.- 5:30 p.m.

Location: Westbrook Auditorium, Presser Hall, 303 E. University Ave., Bloomington

Admission: Free, open to the public

Program: The 26th IWU Jazz Festival will include a performance by the IWU Jazz Ensemble with featured guest soloist drummer Ed Soph, and performances by junior high and high school jazz ensembles from throughout the state of Illinois.

Background: Soph has performed with a number of big bands including Stan Kenton, Woody Herman, Bill Watrous and Clark Terry. Small group credits include Bobby Shew (the guest artist for the 25th Annual IWU Jazz Festival in Jan. 2000), Joe Henderson, Joe LoCascio, David Liebman, Marvin Stamm, Carl Fontana, Cedar Walton.

Soph, who performed at the Fourth Annual IWU Jazz Festival in 1979, also is an associate professor of music at the University of North Texas. He continues to perform and record, most notably with groups led by pianist Stefan Karlsson, bassist John Adams and as a co-leader with trumpeter Marvin Stamm.

Editor's Note: The 26th Annual IWU Jazz Festival is organized by Thomas Streeter, IWU professor of music for brass instruments and theory.

Contact: For more information or a complete list of playing times, call the IWU School of Music Office at 309/556-3061.

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